

A.—Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Minister for Transport and Tourism).—

(a) Yes.

(b) 35 tours to places of tourist interest have been conducted during the last three years *i.e.*, 1st December 1962, to 30th November 1965. (A list is placed on the Table of the House)†

Sri SIDDIAH KASHIMATH.—Sir, my question was whether the Director of Tourism, Government of Mysore, is conducting any tours for the public in the State to study the places of tourist importance in the State and in the answer only the touring programme and the places that the Director of Tourism travelled has been given. In Maharashtra they are conducting tours like this at a very cheap rate for the people to see important places in Maharashtra. I wanted our Government also to do like that. Since it has not been answered, I will ask my supplementaries How many tourist centres are there in this State?

†Sri D. DEVARAJ URS.—There are very many tourist centres. We have taken up only some of them.

Sri SANJEEVANATH AIKALA.—How many tourist bureaux are there? Is it not a fact that the tourist bureaux are ill-equipped and foreign visitors have adversely commented about this?

Sri D. DEVARAJ URS.—I want notice.

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### **Tourist Centre at Thirtha Rameswara.**

\*Q.—629. Sri D. PARAMESHWARAPPA (Honnali).—

Will the Minister for Transport and Tourism be pleased to state :—

(a) whether any report has been called for by Government to establish a minor Tourist Centre at Thirtha Rameswara in Honnali Taluk on the representation of the people ;

(b) if so, whether Government would establish a minor Tourist Centre at Thirtha Rameshwara in view of the place being a pilgrim Centre attracting many devotees every year?

A.—Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Minister for Transport and Tourism).—

(a) A report had been called for.

(b) It is not possible to develop Thirtharameswara as a Tourist Centre for the present as it is only of local importance.

Sri D. PARAMESHWARAPPA.—Have Government made any classification as minor tourist centres and major tourist centres?

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†Sri D. DEVARAJ URS.—There is nothing like minor and major. The tourist centres are taken up either from the point of view of local tourists or from the point of view of international tourists. In our scheme we have divided it into 3 parts. Part (1) schemes are all financed by the Central Government. Part (2) schemes are financed on 50 : 50 basis between the Centre and the State and Part (3) schemes are completely financed by the State Government. There may be so many such centres of pilgrimage where we have temples and places of architecture, but it will not be possible to take up all those places at once.

Sri D. PARAMESWARAPPA.—Does not the report of the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga, disclose that the place is suitable to make it a tourist centre?

Sri D. DEVARAJ URS.—As I have stated, these are places of interest for local people. They may be pilgrimage centres. Some places are there which are visited not by tourists but by pilgrims. Internal tourists are also called pilgrims. That is the only difference between tourists and pilgrims. So far as our State is concerned, it is not possible for the Tourist Department to develop all places from the meagre funds available.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಗೋಪಾಲ ಗೌಡ.—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ನಾನು ತೀರ್ಥ ರಾಮೇಶ್ವರಕ್ಕೆ ಹೋಗಿ ನೋಡಿ ದ್ದೇನೆ. ಕಾಶಿ ಇಂದ ನೇರವಾಗಿ ಗಂಗಾ ನೀರು ಅಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಬರುತ್ತದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಸ್ಥಳೀಯ ಅನತಿ ಮಾತ್ರವಲ್ಲ ಇನ್ನೂ ಅನೇಕ ದೃಷ್ಟಿಯಿಂದ ಎಷ್ಟೋ ಜನ ಅಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಹೋಗುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಅದು ಒಳ್ಳೆಯ ತಾಣ; ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ತಮ್ಮ ಹಣದ ಬರ್ಚಿನಿಂದಲೇ ಕಟ್ಟಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಏಕೆ ಪ್ರಯತ್ನ ಮಾಡಬಾರದು?

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ದೇವರಾಜ ಅರಸ್.—ನಮ್ಮ ಹತ್ತಿರ ಹಣ ಇಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಚನ್ನಬೆರಗೇ ಗೌಡ.—ಚೂರಿಸ್ತ ಸೆಂಟರನ್ನು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಹಣದಿಂದ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಿ. ಜನ ಅಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಬರಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಯಾವ ಯಾವ ಅನುಕೂಲಗಳನ್ನು ಕಲ್ಪಿಸಿಕೊಡುತ್ತೀರಿ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಡಿ. ದೇವರಾಜ ಅರಸ್.—ಬಸ್ ಸೌಕರ್ಯ, ವಾಹನ ಸೌಕರ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಕಾರು—ನಣ ಕಾರುಗಳ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯ, ಮತ್ತು ಅಲ್ಲ ಒಂದು ದಿವಸ ತಂಗುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ವಾಸಕ್ಕೆ ಹೋಟೆಲು ವಗೈರೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.

MR. SPEAKER.—Sri N. O. Somaji may put Question No. 664 on behalf of Sri Bapu Rao Hulsurkar.

### Plying of Buses on the Inter-State Route of Latur-Bidar.

\*Q.—664. SRI N. O. SAMAJI (Belgaum II) [on behalf of SRI BAPU RAO HULSURKAR (Hulsur)].—

Will the Minister for Transport and Tourism be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the Government have received any representations to ply more buses on the inter-state route of Latur-Bidar between Maharashtra and Mysore States;

(b) the dates on which such representations were received by the Government;